## Amendments to the Claims

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

## **Listing of Claims**

- 1-2. (cancelled)
- 3. (currently amended) A method comprising:

providing an assembly of a blank photo-grade sheet and a hinge strip spaced apart by a gap from the edge of the blank sheet and connected by connecting strips thereto;

attaching a mounting strip along an edge of the blank photo-grade sheet;

sending the <u>assembly</u> <del>blank photo grade sheet and attached mounting strip</del> through a printer to print a photographic image on the <del>photo-grade</del> <u>blank</u> sheet; and

mounting the assembly printed sheet in an album using the mounting strip.

- 4. (currently amended) The method of claim 3, wherein providing a the blank [[photo]] sheet is includes providing a sheet including a cotton rag paper material.
- 5. (currently amended) The method of claim 3, wherein providing a the blank [[photo]] sheet is includes providing a sheet including an uncoated, unbleached paper.
- 6. (currently amended) The method of claim 3, wherein providing a the blank [[photo]] sheet is includes providing a sheet including a 100% cotton fiber, acid-free paper.
- 7. (currently amended) The method of claim 3, wherein sending the blank photo-sheet and attached mounting strip though assembly through the printer to print an image on the sheet includes printing an image such that the image becomes integral with the paper.
- 8. (currently amended) The method of claim 3, wherein sending the blank photo-sheet and attached mounting strip though assembly through the printer to print an image on the sheet

includes sending the sheet and attached mounting strip assembly through a desktop digital printer.

9. (currently amended) The method of claim 3, wherein the mounting strip includes mounting holes and mounting the printed sheet assembly in an album includes mounting the sheet using the mounting holes in the mounting strip.

10. (currently amended) A method of providing a ready-to-bind photo sheet, the method comprising:

providing an assembly of a blank photo-printable, photo-grade sheet and a hinge strip spaced apart by a gap from the edge of the blank photo-printable sheet and connected by connecting strips thereto, having a hinge strip mounted along an edge of the photo-grade sheet, the hinge strip including a mounting portion for mounting the hinge strip to an album, wherein the blank photo-printable, photo-grade sheet and the hinge strip are assembly is dimensioned to go through a desktop printer together; and

sending the <u>assembly</u> blank photo printable, photo-grade sheet with the hinge strip through a desktop printer to print a photographic image upon the sheet.

- 11. (currently amended) The method of claim 10, further comprising binding the printed sheet assembly in an album using the mounting portion of the hinge strip.
- 12. (original) The method of claim 10, wherein the mounting portion includes mounting holes.
- 13. (original) The method of claim 10, wherein the blank photo-printable sheet includes a 100% cotton fiber, acid-free paper.
- 14. (original) The method of claim 10, wherein the hinge strip includes an acid-free hinge strip.

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15. (new) The method of claim 1, wherein the gap has a width in the range of about

0.375 inches.

16. (new) The method of claim 10, wherein the gap has a width in the range of about

0.375 inches.

17. (new) The method of claim 3, wherein the blank sheet comprises a photo-grade

material.

18. (new) The method of claim 10, wherein the blank photo-printable sheet comprises a

photo-grade material.